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TAGS: AORG, PERS, UN PINR (KEMAL, ANWAR)

SUBJECT: BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ON ANWAR KEMAL

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BEGIN SUMMARY: PAKISTAN MISSION FIRST SECRETARY KEMAL, WELL

VERSED IN UN AFFAIRS AND RECENTLY ELECTED TO ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS (ACABQ), HAS DEPARTED NEW YORK TO ASSUME CHARGE OF PAKISTAN FOREIGN MINISTRY'S UN BUREAU. KEMAL IS U.S. EDUCATED AND WAS WELL KNOWN TO USUN AS A CLEVER BARGAINER DURING HIS SERVICE HERE. HE EXPECTS TO HAVE ONLY LIMITED AUTHORITY IN HIS NEW POSITION. PAKISTAN PERMREK (AKHUND) APPEARS TO THINK HIGHLY OF KEMAL. END SUMMARY.

1. FIRST SECRETARY PAKISTAN DELEGATION TO THE UN, ANWAR KEMAL, DEPARTED NEW YORK JANUARY 15 FOR ISLAMABAD, WHERE HE WILL ASSUME CHARGE OF UN BUREAU OF PAKISTAN MINISTRY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS. KEMAL, NOW 35, IS A PROFESSIONAL DIPLOMATIC OFFICER IN PAKISTAN'S FOREIGN SERVICE, TO WHICH HE WAS APPOINTED IN 1968. HE DID A THREE YEAR HITCH IN PEKING BEFORE COMING TO NEW YORK IN 1973.

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2. DURING HIS FIVE YEARS AT THE UNITED NATIONS, KEMAL BECAME ONE OF THE MORE INFLUENTIAL MEMBERS OF THE FIFTH (ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT) COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. AS WILL BE SEEN FROM HIS CURRICULUM VITAE (PARA 7 BELOW), KEMAL HAS SERVED ON A NUMBER OF IMPORTANT SUB-BODIES OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE, WAS

VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE DURING THE 31ST SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND WON ELECTION AT THE 32ND SESSION OF THE GA TO ONE OF THREE NEWLY CREATED SEATS OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS (ACABQ). KEMAL'S SUCCESSFUL CAMPAIGN FOR ELECTION TO ACABQ, CARRIED OUT AMID OVERCROWDED FIELD OF SIX CANDIDATES (INCLUDING INDIAN DELEGATE) FOR THREE SEATS, SHOWED HIM AN EFFECTIVE CAMPAIGNER.

3. KEMAL IS VERSED ON THE ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS OF THE UN. HE IS SKILLED IN THE PROCEDURAL DEVICES AND POLITICAL COMPROMISES REQUIRED TO MOVE MEASURES THROUGH THE THICKETS OF UN POLITICS. ALONG WITH HIS MASTERY OF UN LORE, KEMAL HAS ACQUIRED A REPUTATION FOR WILINESS AND A STYLE OF POSTURING THAT AT TIMES DISTANCES HIM FROM THOSE WHOSE COOPERATION HE SEEKS. THE U.S. DELEGATION'S EXPERIENCE ON THE FINANCIAL EMERGENCY OF THE UN DURING THE 32ND UNGA RAISED SOME DOUBTS AS TO KEMAL'S TRUSTWORTHINESS. IN CHECKING BACK ON INFORMATION KEMAL GAVE US CONCERNING THE ATTITUDE OF OTHER DELEGATIONS TOWARD CHANGES TO WHICH HE SOUGHT OUR CONSENT IN A PAKISTAN DRAFT RESOLUTION ON THIS SUBJECT, THE U.S. DELEGATION CONCLUDED THAT THESE CHANGES WERE NOT MADE AT THE INSTANCE OR INSISTENCE OF THIRD PARTIES AS KEMAL HAD ASSERTED. KEMAL,

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HOWEVER, PROTESTED THAT THIS WAS NOT THE CASE, AND PRESENTED SOME PLAUSIBLE ARGUMENTS IN DEFENSE OF HIS POSITION. IN ANY CASE HE IS A CLEVER BARGAINER, AND SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN BORN THAT WAY. HE LIKES TO THINK OF HIMSELF AS A MEDIATOR WHO IS ALSO A TOUGH NEGOTIATION.

4. KEMAL SAYS THAT HIS AMBASSADOR GAVE HIM CONSIDERABLE DISCRETION IN FIFTH COMMITTEE ONCE HE BECAME EXPERIENCED IN UN ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS. HIS MAIN GUIDELINE, KEMAL SAYS, WAS NOT TO DO ANYTHING THAT MIGHT GET THE PAKISTAN DELEGATION IN TROUBLE. SINCE THE PAKISTAN PERMREP TO THE UN (AKHUND) ONCE WAS A MEMBER OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE, THE LATITUDE ALLOWED KEMAL MUST BE REGARDED AS A GESTURE OF PARTICULARLY HIGH CONFIDENCE. KEMAL SAYS THAT HIS NEW POSITION IN THE PAKISTAN FOREIGN MINISTRY MAY NOT AMOUNT TO MUCH. EVIDENTLY HIS PREDECESOR IS BEING PROMOTED TO A HIGHER POST, BUT WILL RETAIN CURRENT RESPONSIBILITIES. KEMAL DOES NOT EXPECT TO HAVE AS MUCH FREEDOM OF ACTION AT HOME AS HE HAD IN NEW YORK. AS A MEMBER OF THE ACABQ HE WILL BE SPENDING AT LEAST HALF OF EACH YEAR WITH

THAT BODY DURING ITS HEARINGS AT VARIOUS UN POSTS AND ITS MEETINGS IN NEW YORK. HIS EXPERIENCE IN UN AFFAIRS WILL QUALIFY HIM IN TERMS OF THE MINIMUM EXPERTISE REQUIRED TO FULFILL HIS NEW RESPONSIBILITIES ON THE ACABQ. AND PRESENTS A SOUND FOUNDATION ON WHICH THAT EXPERTISE MAY BE FURTHER DEVELOPED.

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5. KEMAL RECEIVED PART OF HIS EDUCATION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, WHERE HE WAS A RECIPIENT FOR FIVE CONSECUTIVE YEARS OF THE JOHN BOYER SCHOLARSHIP. THIS SCHOLARSHIP IS AWARDED BY THE FIRST LINE COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA, WHICH CLAIMS TO BE THE OLDEST MILITARY OUTFIT IN CONTINUOUS SERVICE (SINCE ORGANIZATION IN 1774) TO THE UNITED STATES. KEMAL IS VERY PROUD OF HIS AMERICAN TRAINING, HIS AMERICAN CONNECTIONS, AND PARTICULARLY OF HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH THE FIRST LINE COMPANY, WITH WHOSE MEMBERS HE RETAINS CLOSE PERSONAL FRIENDSHIPS. HE IS AN AVID FISHERMAN, AND AN ENDLESS SOURCE OF KNOWLEDGE CONCERNING FISHING GROUNDS AND CHARTER-FISHING BOATS UP AND DOWN THE MID-ATLANTIC AND SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND COASTS. KEMAL SPEAKS CORRECT CHINESE FLUENTLY, THOUGH SOMEWHAT SLOWLY. THE U.S. DELEGATION SAW NO EVIDENCE OF ACTIVE CONTACT BETWEEN KEMAL AND CHINESE REPRESENTATIVES IN FIFTH COMMITTEE DURING THE 32ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY, BUT THE CHINESE DELEGATE TO FIFTH COMMITTEE WAS INVITED TO KEMAL'S FAREWELL PARTY IN NEW YORK.

6. KEMAL ALSO IS WELL KNOWN TO FORMER USUN OFFICERS
DAVID L. STOTTELYER (NOW ASSIGNED DEPARTMENT IO) AND
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JOSEPH B. NORBURY, JR. (NOW ASSIGNED INR/DDR/RSC).
DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO SEEK THEIR COMMENTS, AND/OR
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7. FOLLOWING IS CURRICULUM VITAE ON KEMAL CIRCULATED BY
PAKISTAN MISSION TO THE UN DURING 32ND UNGA AT TIME OF
KEMAL'S CANDIDACY FOR ELECTION TO ACABQ.

QUOTE (CURRICULUM VITAE
MR. ANWAR KEMAL
FIRST SECRETARY, PERMAMENT MISSIOON OF PAKISTAN
TO THE UNITED NATIONS

DATE OF BIRTH: [Sensitive Information Removed Per NARA 05 DEC 2014]

PREVIOUS ASSIGNMENTS: APPOINTED TO THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE
OF PAKISTAN IN 1968 ON RESULTS OF AN ALL PAKISTAN COMPETITIVE
EXAMINATION.

THIRD SECRETARY AND SECOND SECRETARY, EMBASSY PAKISTAN, PEKING, PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, 1970-1973.

UN EXPERIENCE: 1. MEMBER, PAKISTAN DELEGATION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY (FIFTH COMMITTEE) AT THE 28TH, 29TH, 30TH, 31ST AND 32ND SESSIONS.
2. VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE, 31ST SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY (1976).
3. VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE ON THE FINANCIAL EMERGENCY OF THE UNITED NATIONS. ACTIVE ROLE IN THE ESTABLISHMENT AND CONSTITUTION OF THE NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE, IN THE CONVENING OF ITS MEETINGS
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AND THE ORGANIZATION OF ITS WORK. AS VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE AND UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF THE CHAIRMAN, WORKED TO PROMOTE A COMPREHENSIVE AND LASTING SOLUTION TO THE FINANCIAL PROBLEMS OF THE ORGANIZATION.

4. RAPPORTEUR OF THE COMMITTEE FOR PROGRAMME AND CO-ORDINATION, 16TH SESSION (1976). REPRESENTED PAKISTAN AT THE 15TH, 16TH AND 17TH SESSIONS OF THE CPC. (AT

THE 15TH SESSION, THE CPC EXAMINED THE BUDGETARY ESTIMATES OF THE ESA FOR THE BIENNIAL 1976-1977 AND THE MEDIUM TERM PLAN FOR 1976-1979. DURING THE 16TH SESSION THE COMMITTEE EXAMINED THE MEDIUM TERM PLAN FOR 1978-1981. AT THE 17TH SESSION THE CPC EXAMINED THE PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIAL 1978-1979).

5. DURING PAKISTAN'S CHAIRMANSHIP FOR THE GROUP OF 77 (31ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY) COORDINATED THE GROUP IN THE FIFTH COMMITTEE ON BEHALF OF THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF PAKISTAN.

6. ADVISER, PAKISTAN DELEGATION TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL (1976-1977).

7. MEMBER OF THE PAKISTAN DELEGATION TO THE SIXTH AND SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

8. REPRESENTED PAKISTAN ON THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL, UNDP, COMMITTEE FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT AND OTHER U.N. BODIES

ACADEMIC BACKGROUND AND INTERESTS:
GRADUATE OF GOVERNMENT COLLEGE, LAHORE, PAKISTAN

SOUTHEAST ASIAN STUDIES AND THAI HISTORY, CHULA LONGKORN UNIVERSITY, BANGKOK.

M.A. IN POLITICAL SCIENCE, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA (JOHN BOYER SCHOLARSHIP).

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